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**ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENT TO FILL A NON-MERIT SYSTEM POSITION
AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

JOB TITLE: DEAF CARE WORKER

NUMBER: 12-01

JOB CODE: B3500 **SALARY RANGE:** 50 (\$21,722.40 - \$30,724.80)

POS. 8833006 8833009
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JOB LOCATION: Bryce Hospital

DATE: 06-05-2012

QUALIFICATIONS: Graduation from a standard high school or GED equivalent.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Must be 18 years of age. Possession of a valid Alabama Driver's License. Proficiency in American Sign Language (ASL) at "native" or near "native fluency" level of signing skills as measured by a recognized screening process, such as SLPI/SCPI at the "Advanced" level or higher.

KIND OF WORK: Works primarily in a specialized psychiatric unit providing care, habilitation, and rehabilitation of deaf and hard of hearing (D/HH) patients with co-occurring disorders of mental illness and chemical dependency in a state mental health hospital. Performs basic nursing care and assist patients with personal hygiene and activities of daily living. Observes patients closely and documents patients' physical and mental condition. Maintains the security of patients. Accompanies patients off unit to hospital activities, functions, and off hospital grounds to medical appointments and field trips. Communicates with D/HH patients in sign language. Performs assigned work under supervision of professional nurses and LPNs with instructions from physicians. Performs related work as required.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES: Knowledge of American Sign Language. Familiarity with cultural and behavioral norms of deaf people. Ability to communicate effectively in ASL, with an Interpreter, and in writing. Ability to read and comprehend documents such as policies and procedures either in written English or a version translated into American Sign Language. Ability to add, subtract, multiply and divide.

METHOD OF SELECTION: Applicants will be rated on the basis of an evaluation of their training, experience and education, and should provide adequate work history identifying experiences related to the duties and minimum qualifications as above mentioned. All relevant information is subject to verification. **Drug test required. Security clearances will be conducted on prospective applicants being given serious consideration for employment and whose job requires direct contact with patients.**

HOW TO APPLY: USE AN OFFICIAL APPLICATION FOR PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT (EXEMPT CLASSIFICATION) WHICH MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THIS OFFICE. THE APPLICATION SHOULD BE RETURNED TO PERSONNEL OFFICE, BRYCE HOSPITAL, 200 UNIVERSITY BLVD., TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA, 35401 BY UNTIL FILLED IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS POSITION. DO NOT RETURN THIS APPLICATION TO THE STATE PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT. **PLEASE HAVE AN OFFICIAL COPY OF TRANSCRIPT (S) FORWARDED TO THE PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS.** JOINT COMMISSION ACCREDITED/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

"Only work experience detailed on the application form will be considered. Additional sheets, if needed, should be in the same format as the application. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of an official application."

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